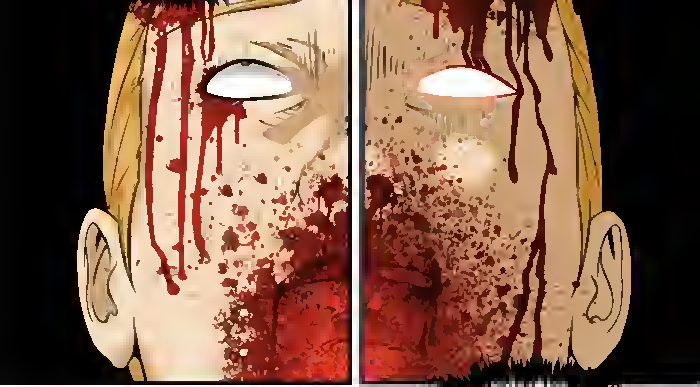
THAT... THAT'S THE POWER GIVEN BY DARKSLUG AT MAXIMUM OUTPUT...
THERE'S NO WAY I CAN FACE THAT...
BUT THERE'S STILL CHANCE!



AT ONCE, IF WE USE ALL OUR POWERS AT ONCE

AND TAKE OVER THAT BODY!

GET CAUGHT ON PURPOSE THEN-

WHEN SHE'S OFF GUARD FOR A MOMENT!

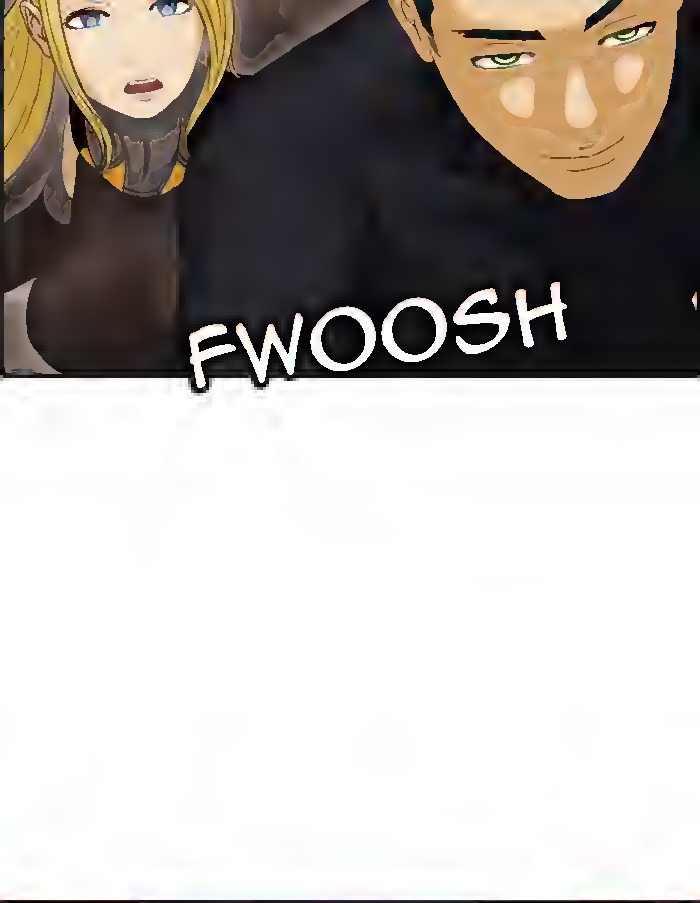
NOW'S THE..
CHANCE!!
!!

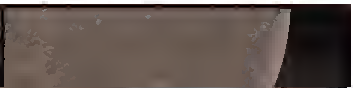
KRRRRR

POW

FWOOSH

MA...?!
IDIOT, THAT WAS CLOSE!
MASTER...!!

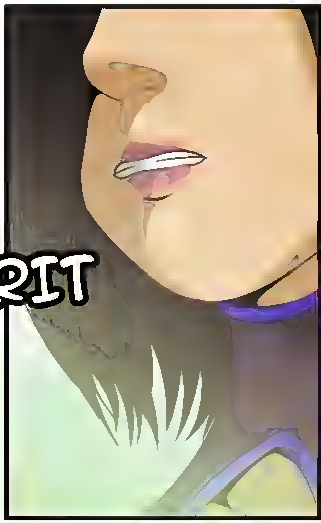

FWOOSH
HA- WHAT? IS IT OVER ALREADY?



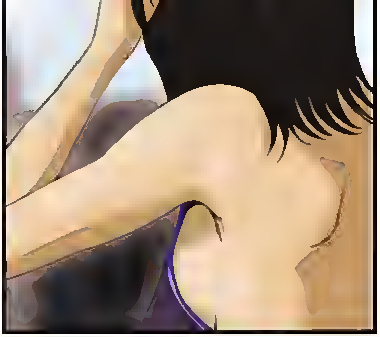
STEP

GRAB

BEFORE THE PRANA GETS OUT
KRRRRRR


GRIT

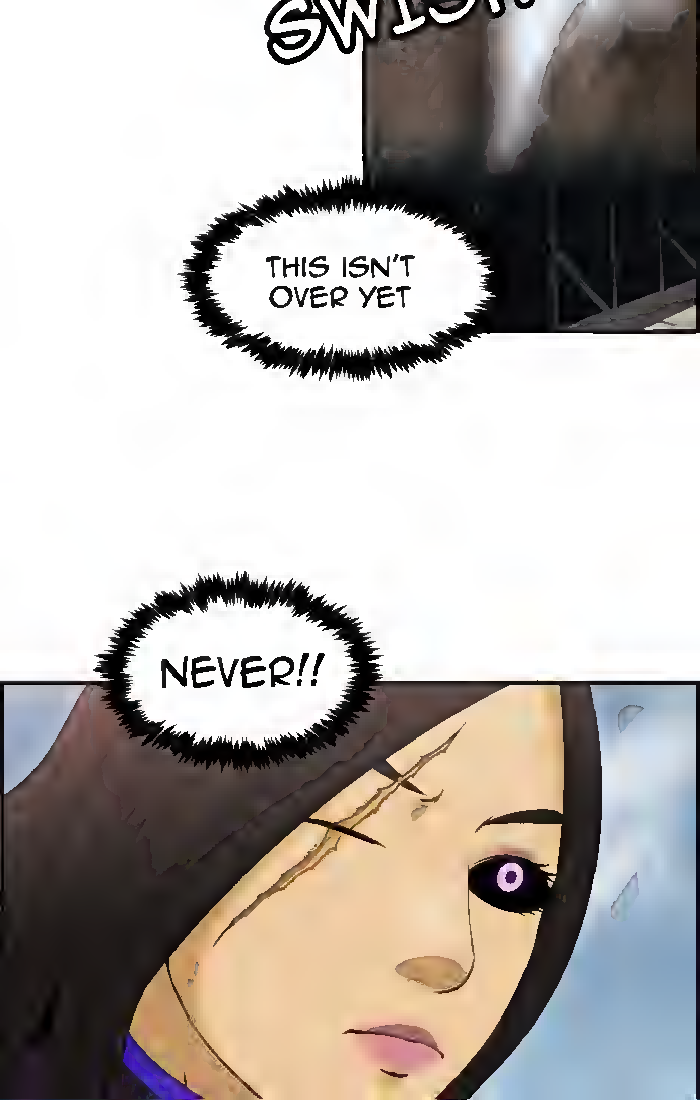
DAMN IT, IT'S ALL OVER!



YOU WAIT AND SEE, LAMIA!

FINALLY ALL

THREE PRANAS ARE IN MASTER'S HANDS...
YOU HAVEN'T WON YET!

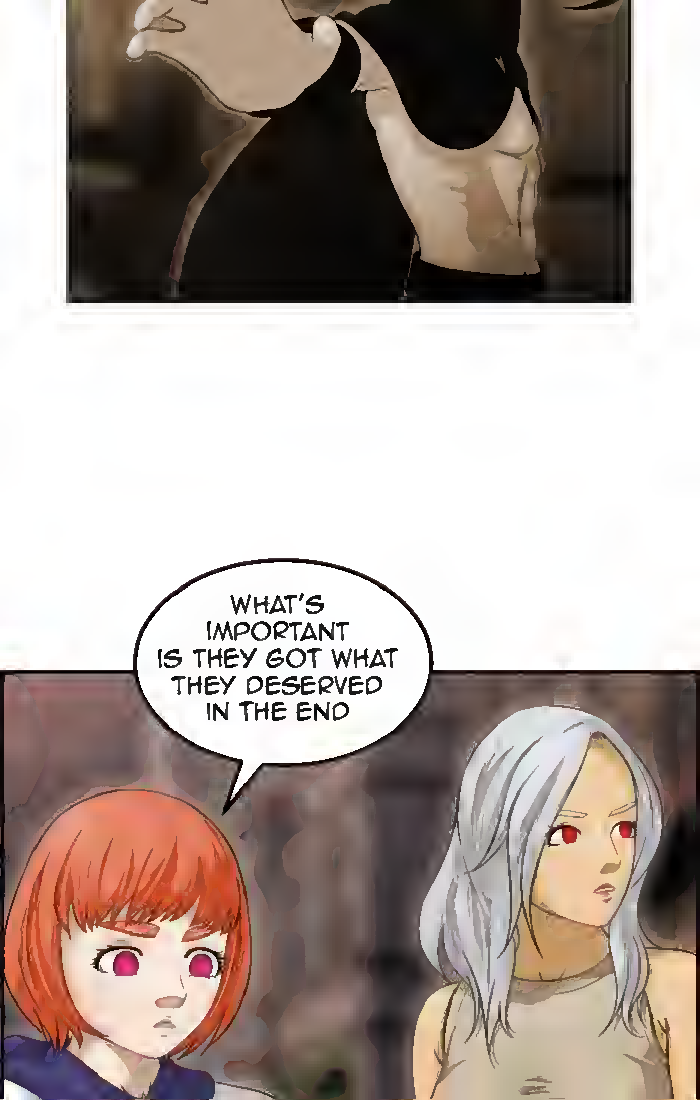

SWISH
THIS ISN'T OVER YET
NEVER!!

DROP

TWO VILLAINS DOWN WITH ONE STONE

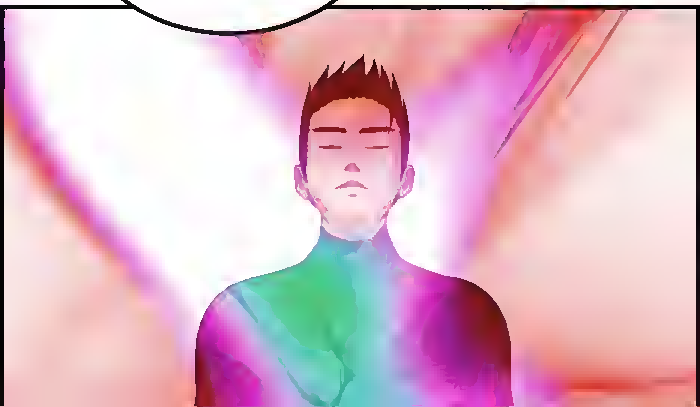
THINKING OF ALL THE VICIOUS ACTS THEY'VE COMMITTED AND THE COUNTLESS SACRIFICES MADE—

THAT WAS A VAIN DEATH HOWEVER YOU LOOK AT IT...


WHAT'S IMPORTANT IS THEY GOT WHAT THEY DESERVED IN THE END

AH, DARKSLUG

HE'S RESTORING HIS SUPERPOWERS PERMANENTLY USING THE THREE PRANAS



VOOOOOOM
SO HE'S FINALLY COMING BACK FOR GOOD

TO THE STRONGEST SUPERHERO DARKSLUG

SIDEKICKS
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EPISODE 80

WRITE/ART IRON SHIN

HUMANKIND SECURITY COMMITTEE TEMPORARY HQ

SHHHH

THANKFULLY I GOT MY SUPERPOWER BACK, TOO
BUT THE SACRIFICE WAS TOO GREAT
THEY ALL DIED BECAUSE OF ME...

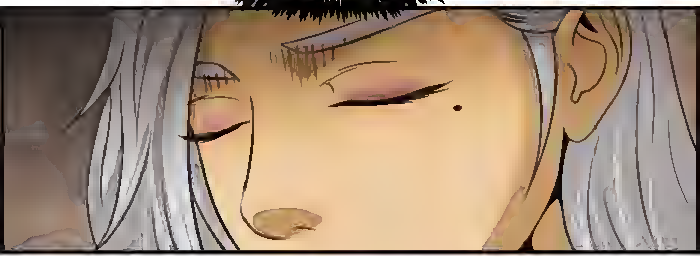
EXCEPT FOR THOSE THAT ARE COMPLETELY DEAD
ZOOOOM

EVERYONE CAN RECOVER
VOOOOM
THIS ONE'S PRETTY FAST AT RECOVERING

VOOOOM
DON'T WORRY.
HE'LL WAKE UP

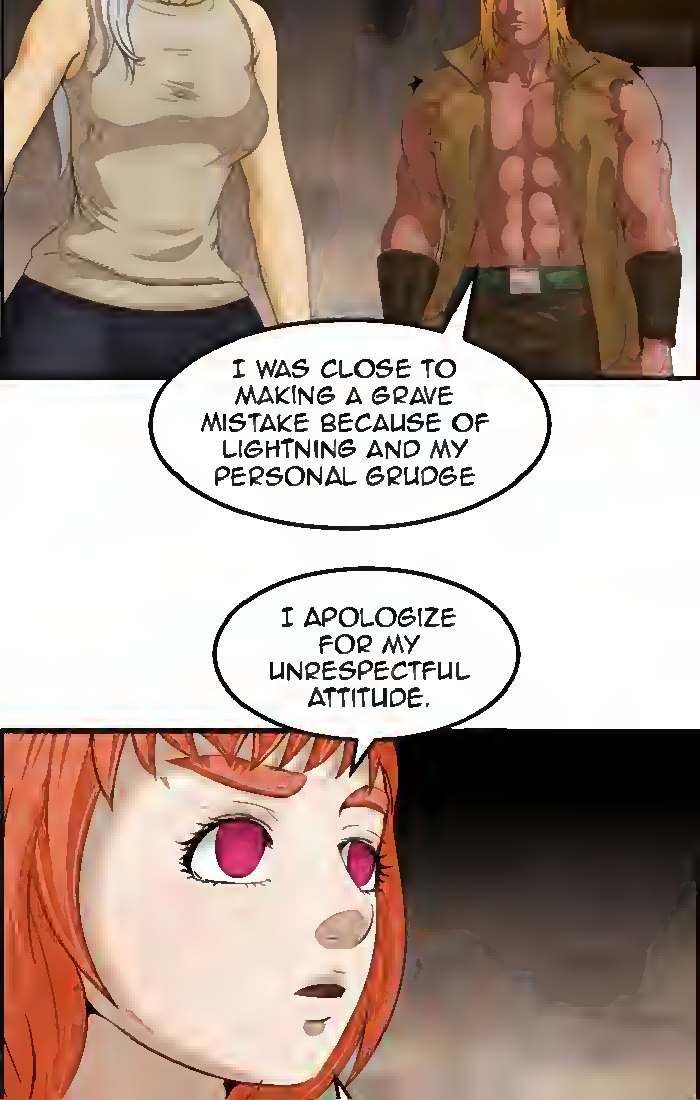
WITH THE SUPERPOWER EXPANDED BY METHEOS, TOO

THIS ALL HAPPENED BECAUSE I TRIED TO SAVE THEO...



DON'T BEAT YOURSELF UP
WE ALL KNOW WE LIVE CLOSE TO DEATH
BUT STILL FIGHT AGAINST IT

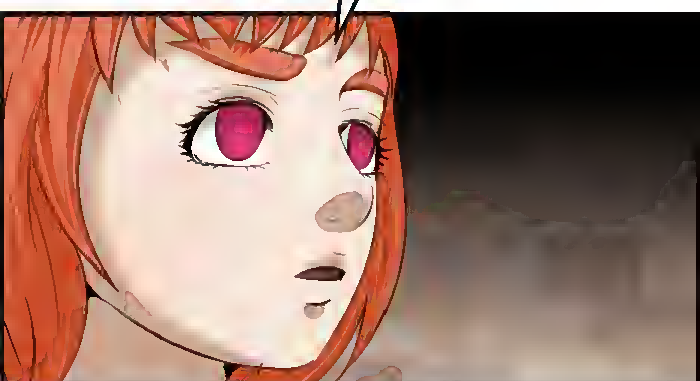
KREEEE
MR. DIRE
I HEARD WHAT HAPPENED WHILE I WAS LOCKED UP.


I WAS CLOSE TO MAKING A GRAVE MISTAKE BECAUSE OF LIGHTNING AND MY PERSONAL GRUDGE
I APOLOGIZE FOR MY UNRESPECTFUL ATTITUDE.

BUT WHAT REALLY HAPPENED BACK THEN?

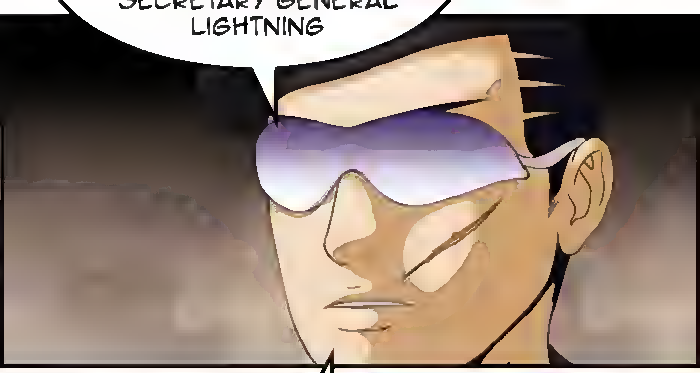
I'LL COME RIGHT AWAY

AND THEN YOU DIDN'T SHOW UP SO I THOUGHT YOU WERE DEAD



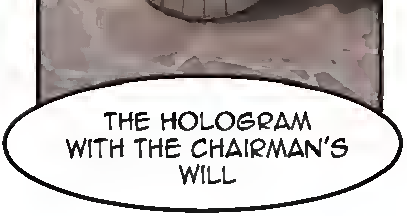
YEAH. HEROES, THEN VILLAINS SHOWED UP SO I ALMOST DIED

AFTER THE CHAIRMAN'S DEATH, I THOUGHT THAT IT WAS NOT RIGHT TO DELIVER HIS WILL TO THE NEXT SECRETARY GENERAL

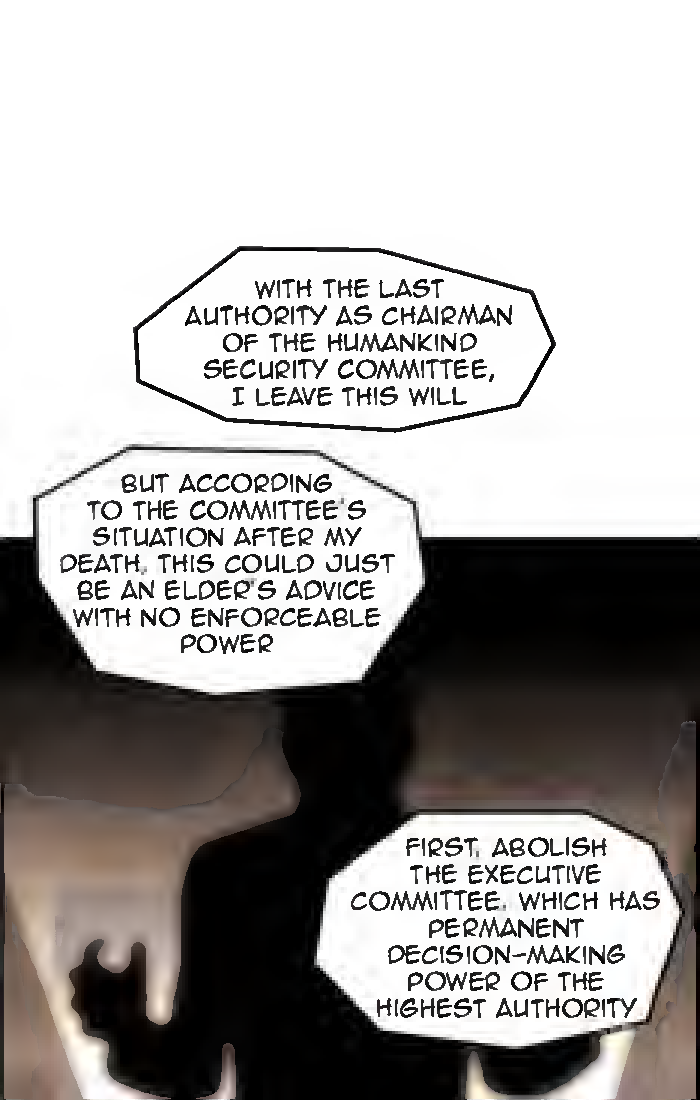


SO I WAITED AND WAS OBSERVING THE SITUATION, WHEN I SAVED MR. DIRE

HERE


THE HOLOGRAM WITH THE CHAIRMAN'S WILL

ZOOOM

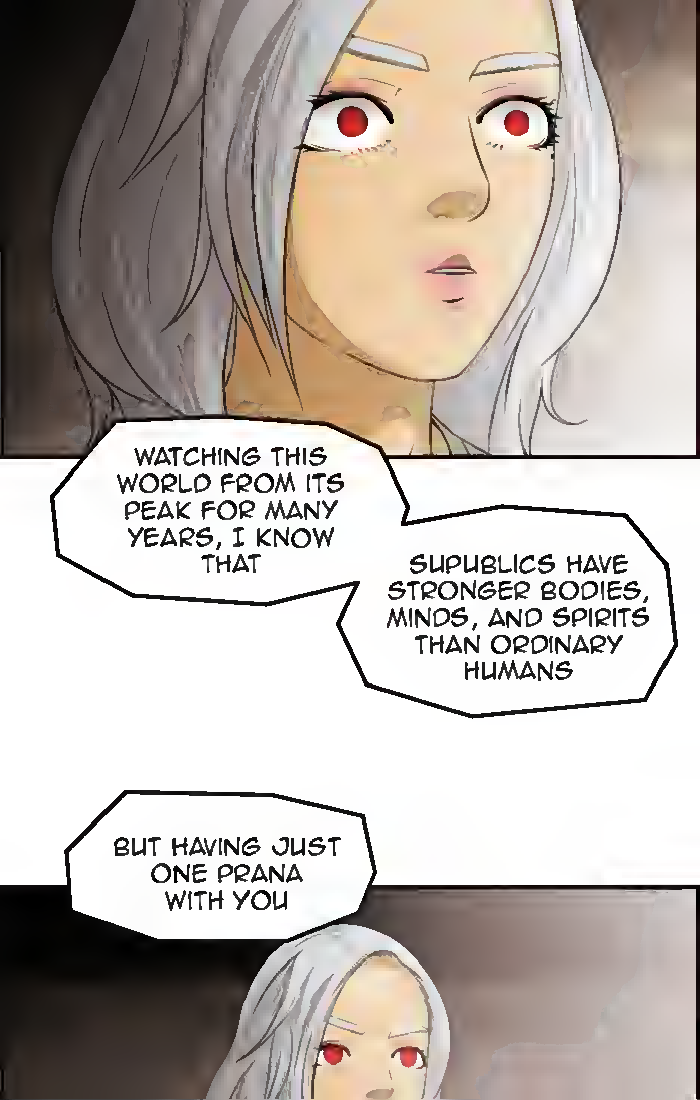

WITH THE LAST AUTHORITY AS CHAIRMAN OF THE HUMANKIND SECURITY COMMITTEE, I LEAVE THIS WILL
BUT ACCORDING TO THE COMMITTEE'S SITUATION AFTER MY DEATH, THIS COULD JUST BE AN ELDER'S ADVICE WITH NO ENFORCEABLE POWER
FIRST, ABOLISH THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, WHICH HAS PERMANENT DECISION-MAKING POWER OF THE HIGHEST AUTHORITY

AND SET UP A DEMOCRATIC ORGANIZATION COMPOSED OF A LEADER AND A FEW COMMISSIONERS SELECTED BY VOTE

THAT ORGANIZATION CAN DISCUSS AND DECIDE HOW TO SAFELY STORE THE THREE PRANAS

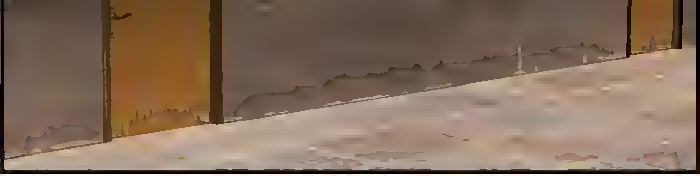
BUT THE THREE PRANAS MUST NOT BE KEPT BY A SINGLE PERSON

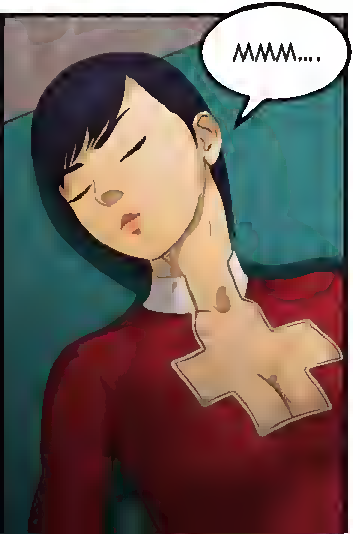
YOU MUST KEEP THIS IN MIND


WATCHING THIS WORLD FROM ITS PEAK FOR MANY YEARS, I KNOW THAT
SUPUBLICS HAVE STRONGER BODIES, MINDS, AND SPIRITS THAN ORDINARY HUMANS
BUT HAVING JUST ONE PRANA WITH YOU

MAKES IT HARD TO SUPPRESS THE STRONG GREED THAT COMES WITH IT

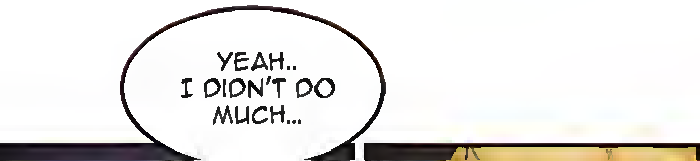
HAVING ALL THREE PRANAS CAN BE THE BEGINNING OF ANOTHER DESTRUCTION...

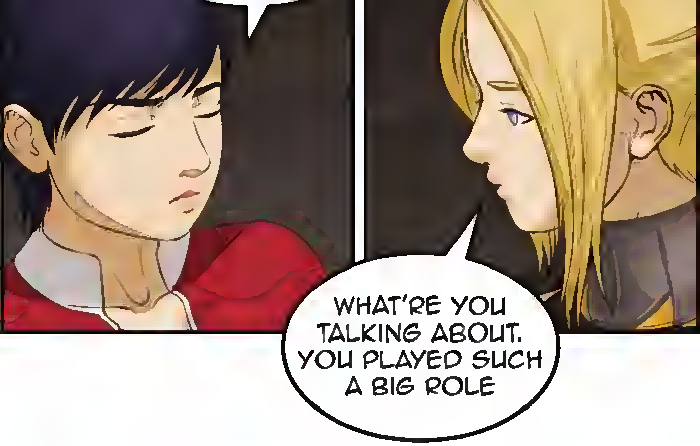



MMM....

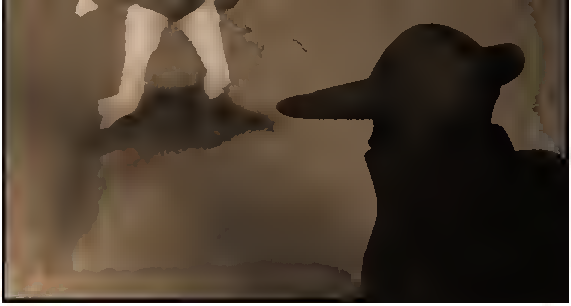
YOU AWAKE? HOW ARE YOU FEELING?

MMM...
WHAT HAPPENED?
IT ALL ENDED WELL. I'LL TELL YOU ONE BY ONE
STAND

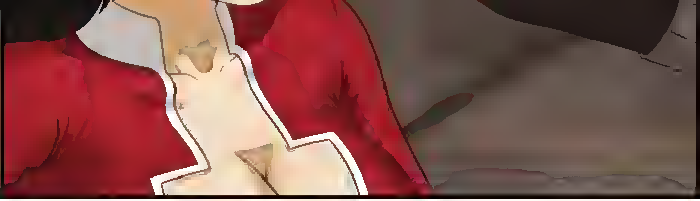

YEAH..
I DIDN'T DO MUCH...


WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT. YOU PLAYED SUCH A BIG ROLE

ESPECIALLY WHEN I WAS IN DANGER



YOU DID YOUR PART AS MY SIDEKICK

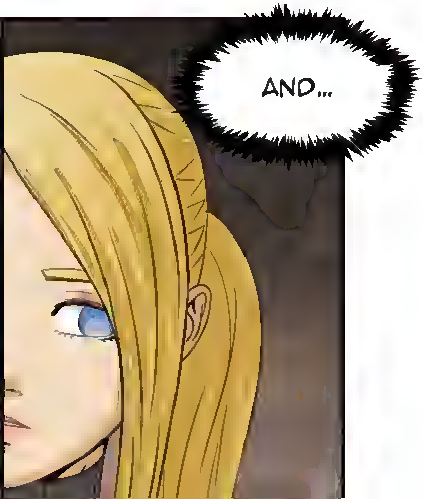


I'M MORE CONFIDENT THAN WHEN I FIRST MET YOU

YOU'LL DEFINITELY MAKE A GOOD HERO

UNTIL THEN, PLEASE HELP ME OUT AS MY SIDEKICK

BLOOD PACK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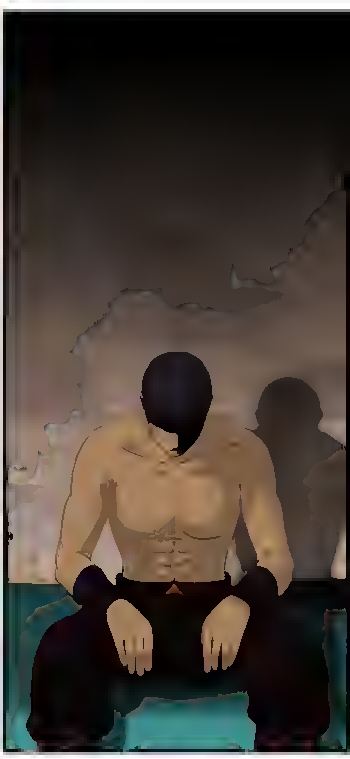


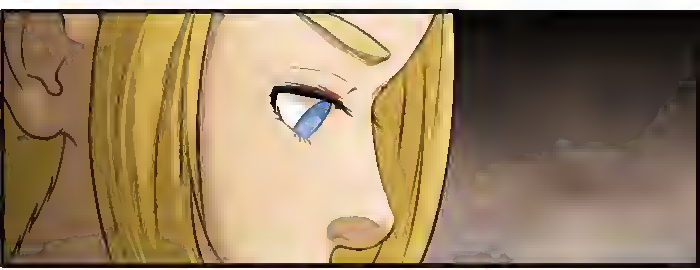
I REMEMBER LITTLE BY LITTLE...
MY MIND AND BODY WERE COMPLETELY TAKEN OVER

BUT IT WAS WITH THESE HANDS THAT I KILLED THEM ALL
TAKING AWAY

MILLIONS OF LIVES...

DON'T BEAT YOURSELF UP FOR IT. IT WASN'T YOU THAT DID IT, THEO
NO, THAT'S JUST AN EXCUSE. MY POWERS WERE TOO WEAK SO I BECAME A HOSTAGE

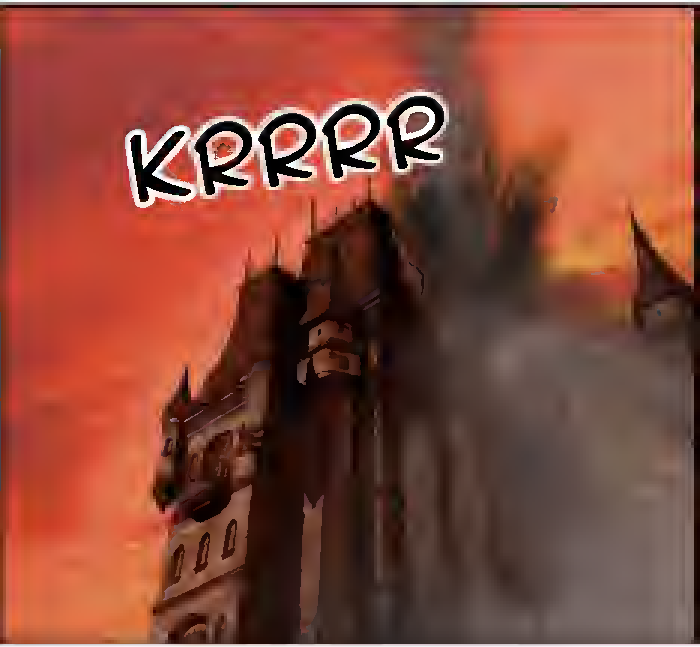
YOU CAN'T SAY THAT I HAVE ZERO RESPONSIBILITY...



THEO...

HOLD

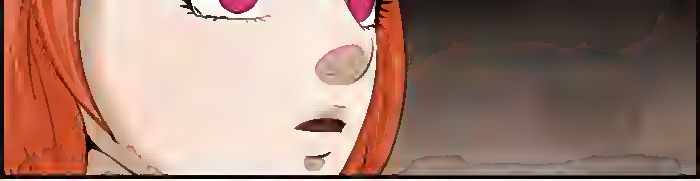
KRRRRR
?!!


KRRRR

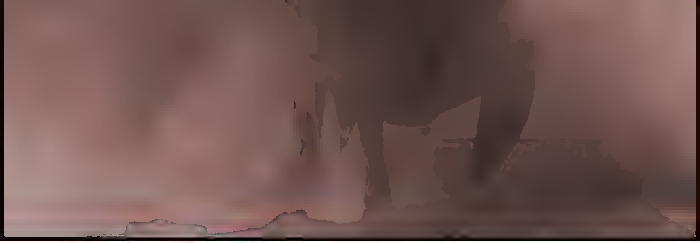
KEEP IN MIND
NEVER LET

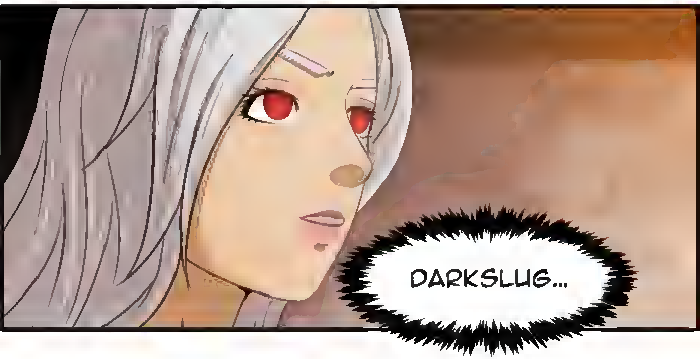
A SINGLE PERSON

SUSHHHH
TH.. THAT'S MADE OUT OF METHEOS' CAPE...?



I THOUGHT THAT CAPE ITSELF IS THE 4TH NINE STUFF...




DARKSLUG...

FLAP

EVERYONE LOOK OUT!!

CLENCH

BAM

FWOOM
?!!
CRASH

ARE YOU CRAZY!!
IS HE GOING BERSERK BECAUSE OF THE PRANA?!

KRRRRRR

MASTER! PLEASE STOP!!
I HAVE TO STOP HIM!

I HAVE TO!!!
FWOOSH

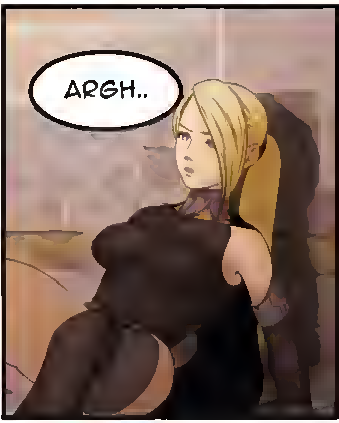
TAP

FWOOM
?!!

CRASH

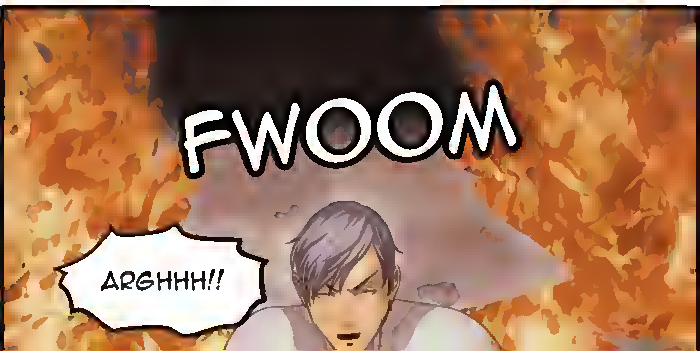
WHAT'S GOING ON?!!
MASTER!!

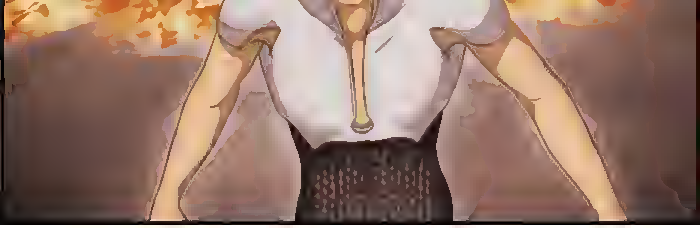
URGH...


ARGH..

YOU ALL LOOK SO IDLE

THE TIME OF PEACE HAS YET TO COME





STOP!
PHEONIX!!
IF THE ONE WITH THE THREE PRANAS TRIED TO DESTROY THE WORLD
HOW ON EARTH WILL YOU

STOP HIM?

THE SECOND PRANA TO

NIGHTMARE

THE THIRD PRANA TO MR. DIRE, THE CANDIDATE FOR THE NEW SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE HUMANKIND SECURITY COMMITTEE

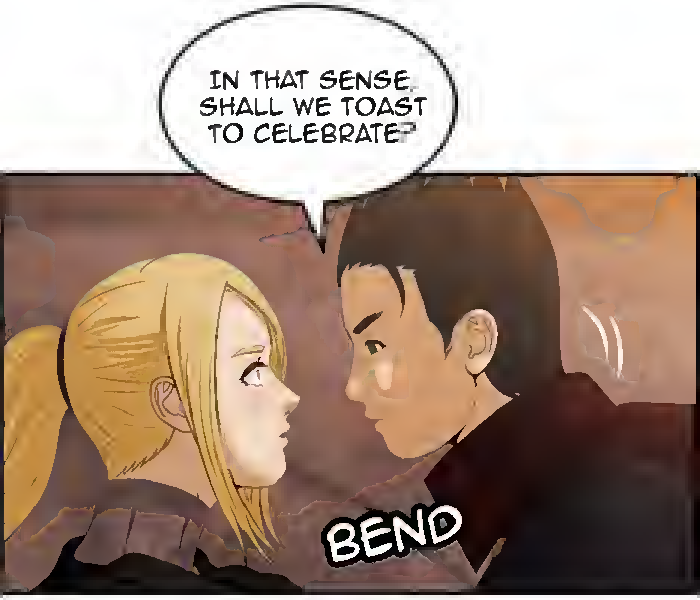
NOW THE TRIAD PRANA

ARE DIVIDED INTO THREE AGAIN.

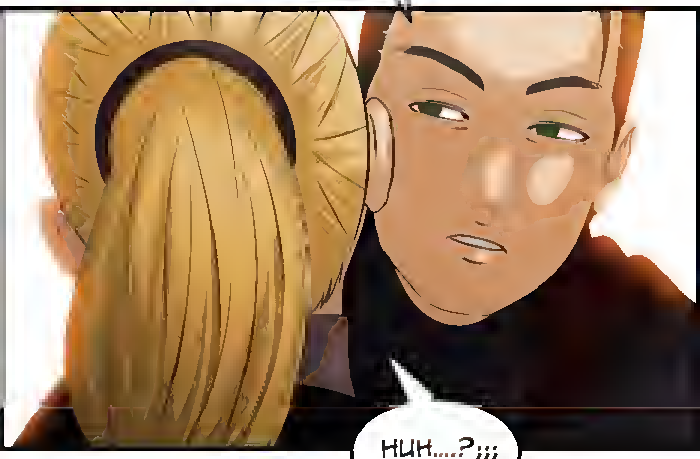
MASTER.. WHAT A HEAVY BURDEN FOR ME...

YOU'RE NO LONGER MY SIDEKICK.
YOU'RE ONE OF THE STRONGEST HEROES IN THIS WORLD NOW

YOU'RE MORE THAN QUALIFIED, NIGHTMARE
YOU'VE ABSORBED ALL THE POWER I GAVE YOU AND DEVELOPED IT FURTHER
TAP
TAP
I TOLD YOU ALREADY, BUT GREAT WORK!


IN THAT SENSE, SHALL WE TOAST TO CELEBRATE?
BEND

IT'D BE PERFECT IF YOU WENT AND BOUGHT A BOTTLE OF WINE. CHATEAU CHEVAL BLANC 1947



HUH....?;;;

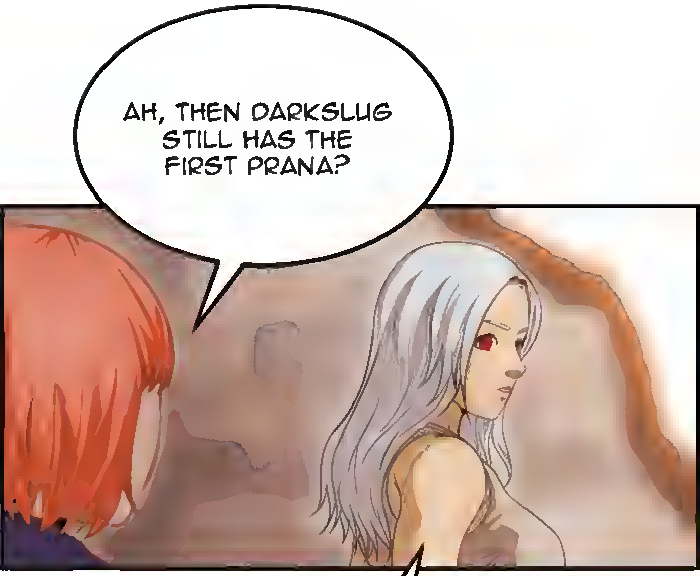
I HAPPEN TO FEEL

LIKE DRINKING THAT WINE. BUT I THINK IT'D BE FASTER IF YOU WENT TO BUY IT

HAHAHA... WHAT A LACK OF ORDER.
MAKING THE GRAND MASTER RUN ERRANDS...
JUST BECAUSE YOU SAID SO

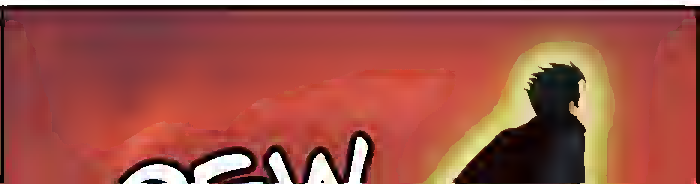
I WILL GO AND BUY THAT WINE!!!

FWOOSH



AH... YOU

WOULDN'T HAVE
KNOWN...



PEW
DARKSLUG

WAS ITS ORIGINAL OWNER

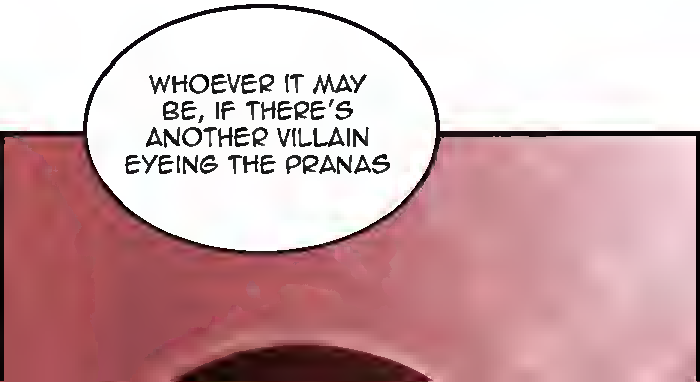
WHEN THE EXISTENCE OF PRANA, THE ORIGIN OF SUPERPOWERS, WAS FIRST DISCOVERED

HE ALREADY
HAD IT

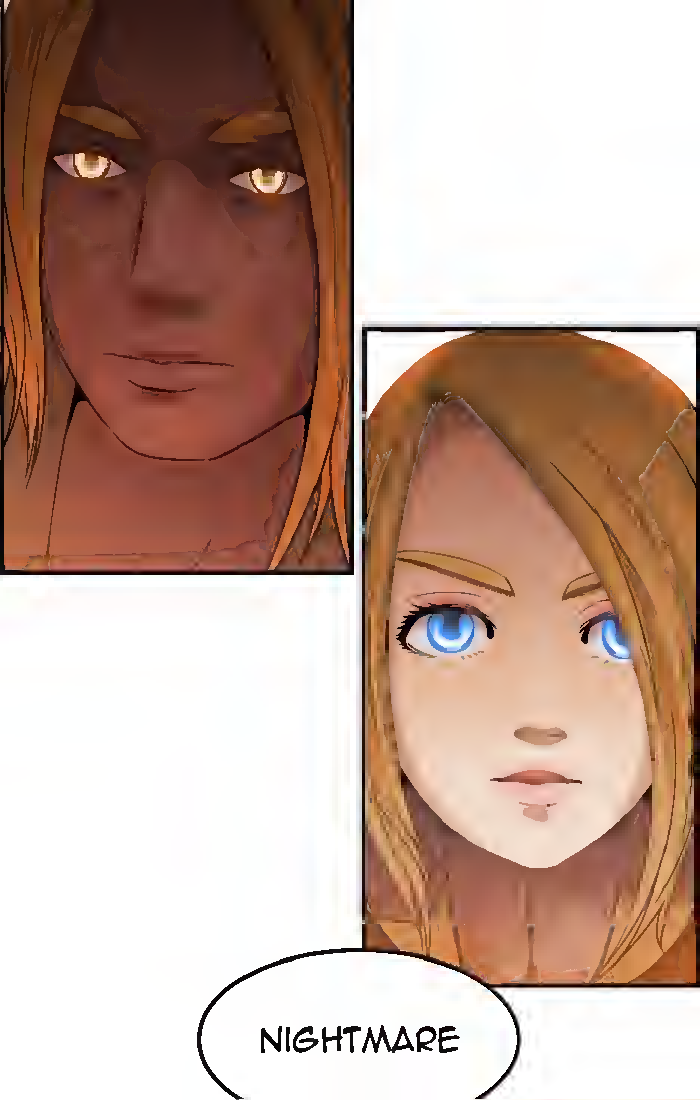
LIKE DARSLUG
SAID, PEACEFUL TIMES
MAY NOT COME THAT

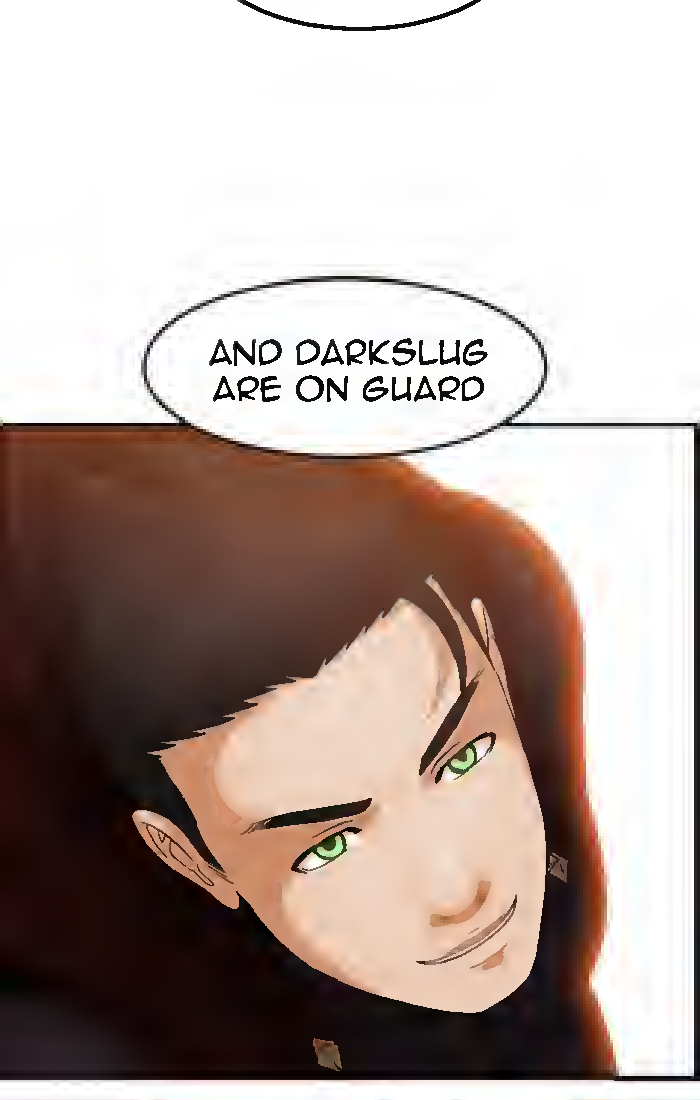
EASILY

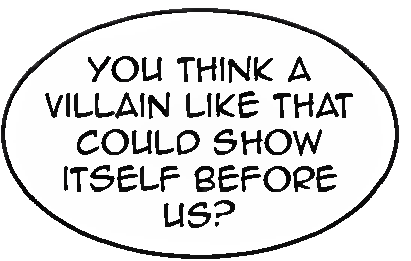
BUT FIGHTING OUR WAY THROUGH EVERYTHING THAT'S HAPPENED, WE'VE ALL GOTTEN STRONG ENOUGH


WHOEVER IT MAY BE, IF THERE'S ANOTHER VILLAIN EYEING THE PRANAS

SUPERHERO DIRE


NIGHTMARE


AND DARKSLUG ARE ON GUARD


YOU THINK A VILLAIN LIKE THAT COULD SHOW ITSELF BEFORE US?

SIDEKICKS
2

THE END

TZZZZ
...LADIES... AND GENTLEMEN...
TZZZ

TZZZZ
THE REPEATED TERROR ATTACKS...
LIVE
TZZZ

TZZZZZ

CENTERING AROUND HERO GUARDIAN AND DUNKELHEIT

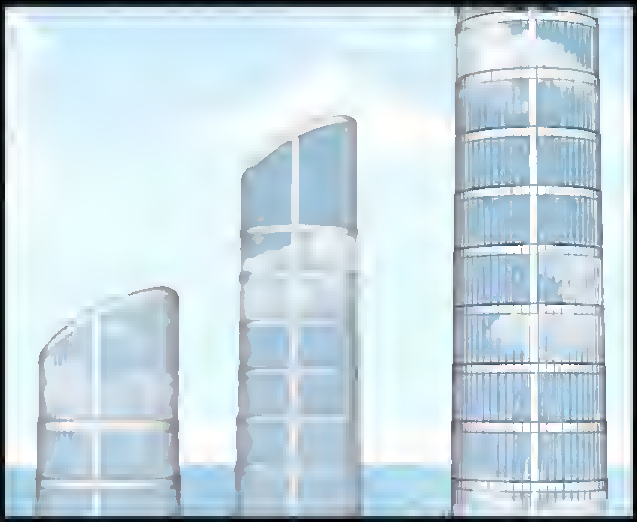
THE HUMANKIND SECURITY COMMITTEE

IS INVESTING ALL OF ITS EFFORTS IN PROTECTING NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS

WHICH HAVE RECENTLY BECOME THE MAIN TARGET FOR VILLAINS

ALL HEROES, SIDEKICKS, AND UNDERCORES OF THE HUMANKIND SECURITY COMMITTEE

PUT YOU, THE CITIZENS' SAFETY FIRST!



STILL QUIET

THE INTEL'S FOR REAL, RIGHT?
DEFINITELY

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IS THAT IT?!

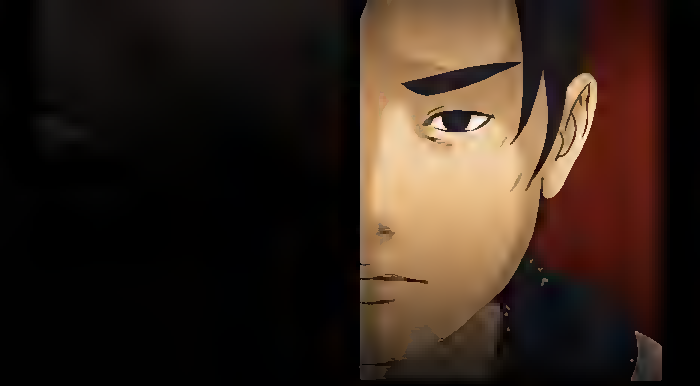
NO! NOT THE POWER PLANT AREA
BUT IN NEW LITTLE COUNTY, A LEVEL 1 VILLAIN!
WHAT? A LEVEL 1 VILLAIN...?!
THAT'S A TINY CITY WITH JUST ONE COLLEGE

ANY HEROES IN THE VICINITY?!
THEY'RE ALL GUARDING THE POWER PLANT, SO NO ONE CAN GO IMMEDIATELY!
COULD THIS BE... IS THE POWER PLANT A SMOKE OPERATION...? NO, NO. THAT COULDN'T BE...

I'LL GO
FLAP
GRAB

WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT? WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF A SUPER IMPORTANT MISSION RIGHT NOW!
THEN THE PEOPLE IN THE VILLAGE? JUST LEAVE THEM ALL TO DIE?

I CAN HANDLE THIS IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE. SORRY. I'LL BE BACK
FLAP
GUARDIAN!!



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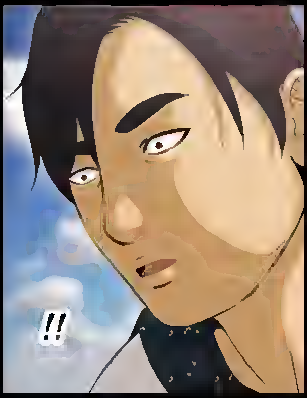
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THIS... THIS IS THE VILLAIN 'DICTATOR'S CORPSE??
BUT OUR INTELLIGENCE SAID HE WAS GOING TO ATTACK THE POWER PLANT?

BUT HOW COULD A SPECIAL LEVEL 1 VILLAIN... BY WHOM..

HE WAS SMASHED UP COMPLETELY WITHOUT A FIGHT

GULP GULP

STRANGE. WHAT COULD BE IN THIS COUNTRYSIDE VILLAGE
THAT HE'D COME ALL THE WAY HERE, EVEN LEAKING

FAKE INTEL?

WHAT WAS HE LOOKING FOR?!!

HEY! CHRIS!!
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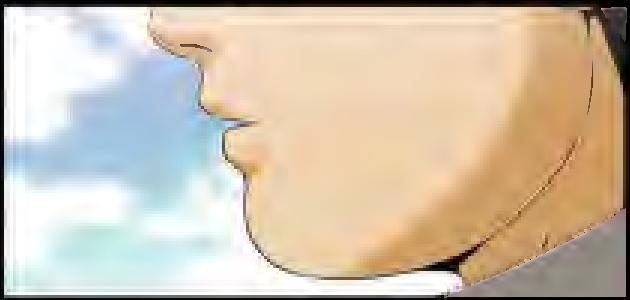
QUIT SIPPING ON THAT LUKEWARM BEER AND COME WITH US!

ANYTHING FUN GOING ON?
I GOT A CLASS SOON-



CLASS? JUST PLAY HOOKY ON THAT BORING STUFF!! COME!
NAH. I JUST TOOK CARE OF SOME SUPER BORING STUFF-

I THINK THIS IS THE RIGHT FIT FOR ME, SO YOU GUYS GO AHEAD AND DO THE FUN STUFF ALL YOU WANT- GOT IT?

SEE YA, FRIENDS!